

## State of Utah

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Certified Return Receipt 7009 3410 0001 4203 1386

Mark Wilson Northstar Energy, LLC 4110 Copper Ridge Drive, Suite 100 Traverse City, Michigan 49684

Subject: Surety Release Check Enclosed, Northstar Energy, LLC, Vipont Mine, S/003/0035,

Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Please find enclosed with this letter a check in the amount of \$13,600. This check is for a *partial* release of the surety for the Vipont mine project. The Division has found the reclamation work performed last season to be adequate. The remaining surety, \$5,000, is considered adequate to assure the re-establishment of vegetation at the site. Once the revegetation standard is met, the Division will be able to release the balance of the surety.

Thank you for your cooperation in completing this reclamation work.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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Enclosure: Surety refund check

